



# *Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, the State of Hawai'i recognizes that it has a vital role in identifying and responding to cybersecurity threats and protecting citizens from phishing, viruses, malware, and loss of sensitive data that may have significant impact to our privacy, financial services, health care, emergency response systems, communications, utilities, transportation, and economy; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Hawai'i continues its cyber security initiatives, such as improving coordination of county, city, state and federal government cyber security activities; working with private sector partners to improve their cyber security posture; developing a skilled cyber workforce by working with the lower and higher education community; and enhancing the cyber security of critical infrastructure providers; and

**WHEREAS**, cybersecurity education and awareness is crucial for everyone, including large corporations, small businesses, financial institutions, schools, government agencies, the home user, and anyone who connects to the internet; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Institute of Standards and Technology Cybersecurity Workforce Framework is a free resource to help all organizations improve their cybersecurity practices through a practical approach to addressing the ever-evolving cybersecurity threats and challenges; and

**WHEREAS**, the STOP. THINK. CONNECT.™ Campaign serves as the national cybersecurity public awareness campaign, implemented through a coalition of private companies, nonprofit and government organizations, and academic institutions working together to increase the public's understanding of cyber threats and empowering Americans to be safer and more secure online; and

**WHEREAS**, all citizens are encouraged to monitor their accounts, keep computer software up to date, create unique passwords and change them regularly, install anti-virus programs and firewalls, use mobile devices safely, and learn more about cybersecurity;

**THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor** of the **State of Hawai'i**, do hereby proclaim October, 2021 as

## **“CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS MONTH”**

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join me in recognizing the importance of cyber hygiene, cyber education and awareness, and to remember that maintaining the security of cyberspace is a shared responsibility in which each of us has a critical role.

Done at the State Capitol in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this first day of October 2021.

  
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DAVID Y. IGE  
Governor, State of Hawai'i